Charter Submitted to the Voters of the City of St. Helens

Notice is hereby given that at a special City election to be held on the 23d day of July, 1915, the following proposed charter amendments will be submitted to the voters of the City of St. Helens for their approval or rejection, which said proposed charter amendments are contained in a resolution duly passed by the Council on the 6th day of July, 1915, which proposed resolution is in words and figures as follows, to wit:

Be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of St. Helens, Columbia County, Oregon, that the following proposed amendments to the charter of said City be, and the same hereby are proposed for aubmission to the legal voters of said City at a Special City Election hereby called to be

COUNCIL

To amend An Act entitled "An Act to amend 'An Act entitled an Act to incorporate the City of St. Helens, in Columbia County, and State of Oregon," filed in the office of the Secretary of State February 25, 1889; and as amended by 'An Act to amend "An Act entitled an Act to incorporate the City of St. Helens, in Columbia County and State of Oregon," filed in the office of the Secretary of State February 25, 1889, filed in the office of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act entitled 'An Act to provide a definite plan for the construction and maintenance of sidewalks and sewers in the City of St. Helens, Oregon, at cost of interested property owners, and providing for the subjection of property benefited to the payment thereof, filed in the office of the Secretary of State February 11, 1905; and also amended by that certain proposed charter amendment submitted to the legal voters of the City of St. Helens at a special election held therein on August 2, 1909, approved by said voters at said election same being entitled 'An Act to amend the Charter of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, and to provide a system of Water Works for said City; to provide for the formation of a Board of Water Commissioners to construct accurate Commissioners to construct, acquire and manage said system of water works, and to provide funds by issuing bonds and otherwise to pay for the same, to manage and control the receipts and disbursements of money necessary in creating and operating said system; to delegate to said Board of Water Commissioners all the powers now vested by the Charter of the City of St. Helens in the Common Council of the said City of St. Helens, State of Oregon, necessary to give said Commissioners power to fix rates for the use of water, to collect the same, and to provide penalties for failure to pay water rates, and for the waste of water by users; to do and provide for all matters necessary for the construction and operation of a complete system of water works, including the purchase of any existing systems, the acquisition of needed land, rights of way, reservoir sites, springs and streams, and water rights, to provide funds for paying for the same," submitted to and approved by the legal voter of said City at the regular election held in said City on the fourth day of April, 1910; and as also amended by that certain proposed charter amendment submitted to the legal voters of the City of St. Helens at a regular city election held therein on April 7th, 1913, approved by said voters at said election, the same being entitled 'An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter IX of the Charter of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the Charter of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the Charter of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the Charter of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article Victor 15 of Article ticle XI of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, relating to the Water Commission, providing that said Water Commission shall at all times have who shall be selected from their own number, and the a President: Recorder shall be ex-officio the Secretary of said Commission, and in the absence of one or both of said officers the vacancy may be temporarily filled by the members of the Board then present; also that, said Board shall adopt a seal; and also that, a majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, submitted to and approved by the legal voters of said City at the regular election held in said City on the 7th day of April, 1913; and also as amended by that certain proposed charter amendment submitted to the legal voters of the City of St. Helens at a regular city election held therein on April 7th, 1913, approved by said voters at said election, the same being entitled Ap. Act to approve the same being entitled Ap. voters at said election, the same being entitled 'An Act to amend Section 13 of Chapter IX of the Charter of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, relating to the Water Commission. relating to the Water Commission, providing that said Commission shall apply all income from said system of water works first to paying the operating expenses, extensions and betterments of said system, second, towards providing for a sinking fund for paying off the said water bonds and the interest thereon, and any money so being in such sinking fund shall by direction of said Water Commissioners, be invested in improvement warrants or bonds of the City of St. Helens, or other warrants or bonds of said City, at par; also providing that, should the income from the water rates not be sufficient to pay the interest on the said bonds and provide for a sinking fund the Commissioners shall certify that fact to the Common Council, and shall also certify to the said interest and to provide for said sinking fund the said Council shall levy and collect a tax or cause to be levied and collected a tax on all the taxable property within the City as assessed by the assessor, sufficient to raise money for such purposes; providing that all money arising from such tax shall be credited to and become a part of the water fund; providing that, taxes levied under and for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act shall be levied and collected the same as other taxes are levied and collected, but not oftener than once in each year, and the amount so collected shall not exceed one per cent of all the property assessed within the corporate limits of said City, submitted to and approved by the legal voters of said City at the regular election held in said City on the 7th day of April, 1913.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ST. HELENS. CHAPTER I

Section 1. That an Act entitled "An Act entitled 'An Act entitled an Act to incorporate the City of St. Helens, in Columbia County, and State of Oregon, filed in the office of the Secretary of State February 25, 1889; and as amended by 'An Act to amend "An Act entitled an Act to incorporate the City of St. Helens, in Columbia County, and State of Oregon," filed in the office of the Secretary of State February 25, 1889; filed in the office of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act of the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by the Secretary of State February 10, 189 Secretary of State February 10, 1893; and as also amended by an Act entitled 'An Act to provide a definite plan for the construction and maintenance of sidewalks and sewers in the City of St. Helens, Oregon, at cost of interested property owners, and providing for the subjection of property filed in the office of the Secretary of State February 11, 1905; and also amended by that certain proposed charter amendment submitted to the legal voters of the City of St. Helens at a special election held therein on August 2, 1909, approved by said voters at said election same being entitled 'An Act to amend the Charter of the City of St. Helens, under the provisions of Section 2 of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, and to provide a system of water works for said City; to provide for the formation of a Board of Water Commissioners to construct, acquire, and manage said system of water works, and to provide funds by issuing bonds and otherwise to pay for the same, and manage and control the receipts and disbursements of money necessary in creating and operating said system; to delegate to said Board of Water Commissioners all the powers now vested by the Charter of the City of St. Helens in the Common Council of said City of St. Helens, State of Oregon, necessary to give said commissioners power to fix rates for the use of water, to collect the same, and to provide penalties for failure to pay water rates, and for the waste of water by users; to do and provide for all matters neces. sary for the construction and operation of a complete system of water works, including the purchase of any existing system, the acquisition of needed way, reservoir sites, springs and streams, and water rights, land, rights of to provide funds for paying for the same," submitted to and approved by the legal voters of said City at the regular election held in said City on the fourth day of April, 1910, be amended so as to read as follows:

CHAPTER I. Section 1. The municipal corporation now existing and known as the City of St. Helens, the boundaries of which are hereinafter described, shall remain and continue and the inhabitants thereof are hereby constituted and declared to be a municipal corporation by the name and style of City of St Helens and by such name shall have perpetual succession, sue and be sued plead and be impleaded in all courts of justice, in all actions, suits or propleat and be impleated in all courts of justice, in all actions, suits of proceedings whatsoever; may purchase, hold and receive property, both real and personal, within said City for public buildings, public works and city improvements; may lease, sell or dispose of the same for the benefit of the city; may purchase, hold and receive property, both real and personal, beyoud the limits of the city to be used for city parks or burial purposes, for the establishment and maintenance of a hospital for the reception of persons affected with contagious diseases or other diseases, for water works, power plants, workhouses or for houses of correction, and may control, leas or dispose of the same for the benefit of the City. And it shall have and use corporate seal and may alter and change the same or make a new one a

Sec. 2. The corporate limits of the City of St. Helens shall be as folws: Beginning at the Northwest corner of the H. M. Knighton D. L. C. Sec. 4, Tp. 4 N., R. 1 W.; thence running in an easterly direction on the North boundary line of said D. L. C. to a point where the center line of the N. P. R. Co.'s right of way crosses said North boundary line; thence running Northerly following the center line of said R. R. right of way to a oint due west of the southwest corner of a tract of land described in 11 at page 559 of Records of Deeds for Columbia County, Oregon; thence the Southwest corner of said tract; thence South 60 degrees minutes East 5 chains; thence North 56 degrees 45 minutes East 18.72 chains; thence South 6 degrees 50 minutes East 1976.3 feet to the Northerly line of a tract of land described in Book O at page 382. Records of Deeds for Columbia County, Oregon; thence North 71 degrees 30 minutes East to the center of the Columbia River; thence up the center of the main channel of the Columbia River to a point where the Southern boundary line of said Knighton D. L. C. extended would intersect the center of said main channel of said river; thence in a Southwesterly direction and on the Southern boundary line of said Claim to the Southwest corner of said Knighton Claim; thence in a Northwesterly direction along the Western boundary line of said Claim to a point where the Northern boundary line of the Thos. Smith D. L. C. intersects said West line; thence South 68 degrees 41 minutes West along the North boundary line of said Smith D. L. C. 4367.2 feet to the Northwest corner of said Smith D. L. C.; thence North 25 degrees 21 minutes West 236.2 feet; thence North along the East boundary of the John McNulty D. L. C. 1324.8 feet to the Northeast corner of the John McNulty D. L. C.; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes West along the North boundary of said McNulty Claim 1342.0 feet; thence North 68 degrees 07 minutes East along the South line of the Asron Broyles D. L. C. 1031.5 feet; thence North 30 degrees 27 minutes West 1149.0 feet; thence North 67 degrees 33 minutes East 504.3 feet; thence North 1 dogree 27 minutes West 1027.7 feet; thence North 0 degrees 52 minutes West ringues North 67 degrees 33 minutes East 504.3 feet; thence North 1 degree 27 minutes West 1027.7 feet; thence North 0 degrees 52 minutes West 704.6 feet; thence North 87 degrees 44 minutes East along the North boundary of the Aaron Broyles D. L. C. 670.7 feet; thence North 511.5 feet to the Southwest corner of the Francis A. Lemont D. L. C. in Sec. 5, Tp. 4 N., R. 1 W.; thence South 87 degrees 49 minutes East along the South boundary line of the Lemont D. L. C. 2843.6 feet to the Northwest corner of the Knighton D. L. C. and the place of hericaling. Knighton D. L. C. and the place of beginning.

CHAPTER II.

CHARTER AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS BY THE the City of St. Helens by this act is vested in a Mayor and Common Council The Council shall compose the Common Council of the City of

St. Helens, and shall be elected by the qualified voters of said City at the same time that the other officers are elected.

Sec. 5. The elective officers of the City shall be a Mayor, who shall be

ex-officio President of the Common Council, four Councilmen and a Treas-

The Mayor and Treasurer shall be elected bi-annually, and shall each hold office for the term of two years, and until his successor

elected and qualified. The Conneilmen shall be elected for two years, and shall hold

their office until their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec. 8. The Marshal and Recorder shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of a majority vote of the Common Council at the first regular meeting in April or as soon thereafter as convenient and shall hold their office until their successors are appointed and qualified.

Sec. 9. The Common Council may in its discretion appoint a City Attorney and fix his compensation and term of office.

Sec. 10. No person is eligible to any office in the municipal corpora-who, at the time of his election or appointment is not entitled to the privileges of an elector according to the laws of this State, and who has not resided in the City of St. Helens for twelve months preceding such election or appointment, and no man who is not the owner of real estate within the corporate limits of the City shall be a member of the City Council.

Sec. 11. The Recorder, Treasurer and Marshal shall before entering the duties of their respective offices, each execute a bond to the City of St. Helens in such penal sum as the Council by ordinance may direct, which amount may at any time be increased by the Council, conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties as such officer and as an ex-officio officer, which bond shall be approved by the Council before said officers shall enter upon the discharge of their duties. The Mayor shall be the custodian of the Recorder's bond. All the provisions of any law of this State relating to the official bonds of officers shall apply to such bonds, except as herein other wise provided. Every officer, elective or appointive, of the City of St. Hel ens, before entering upon the duties of his office, shall take and file with the Recorder an oath to honestly and faithfully discharge the duties of his office and that he will support the laws and Constitution of the State of Oregon and of the United States to the best of his ability. All official bonds shall be the undertakings of surety companies and shall be paid for out of the general fund of the City.

The Mayor and Councilmen shall receive no compensation whatever for their services as such officers. The Recorder, Treasurer and Marshal and other subordinate officers shall receive at stated times compensation to be fixed by ordinance by the Council, which compensation shall not be increased or diminished after their election, or during their several terms of office. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the Council from fixing such several amounts of compensation, in the first in-stance, during the term of office of any such officer after his election. The compensation of all other officers shall be fixed from time to time by ordinance duly passed by the Council.

> CHAPTER III. Election

Sec. 13. The Common Council shall have authority to provide the manner of conducting elections, canvassing the votes cast therent, and to fill vacancies in office, except as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 14. No person shall be entitled to vote at any municipal elections

of the City who is not a qualified legal voter of the State of Oregon, and who as not been a resident of the City of St. Helens for six months next pre-

ceding said election.

Sec. 15. Immediately after any vote cast at any municipal election has Sec. 1a. Immediately after any vote cast at any municipal election has been canvassed in the manner provided or to be provided by the Council, the Recorder must make and issue to each person declared by the canvassers to be elected to any office, a certificate thereof; such certificate shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated; but the Common Council is the Judge of elections and qualifications of the Mayor and Councilmen, and in cases of a contest between two or more persons claiming to be elected thereto, must determine the same. An election coatest for any office other than Mayor and Councilmen must be determined according to the laws of the State regulating contests for county offices.

Sec. 16. All officers elected or appointed under this act, before entering

of perjury.

Sec. 17. The general election for said city officers shall be held annu-

sec. 17. The general election for said city officers shall be held annually, at such place or places as the Council may designate, on the first Monday in April, and such first annual election shall be held on the first Monday in April, 1916; and annually thereafter.

Sec. 18. Nominations for officers under this act may be made by mass meeting of the citizens, when certificates of such nominations shall be made cut in writing specifying the name of the candidate for each office nominated and be signed by the chairman and secretary of the mass meeting and ated and be signed by the chairman and secretary of the mass meeting and filed with the Recorder at least ten days before election. Provided that the independent candidates for any office may be nominated by at least twenty-five electors of said city petitioning the same in writing, signed by the twenty-five electors, which petition shall contain the name of the candidate, the office for which he is a candidate, and be accompanied by the affidavit of one or more of the petitioners to the effect that the petitioners are electors of said city, and that all that signed said petition, which peti-tion and affidavit or affidavits shall be filed with the Recorder at least five before election, when, at the expiration of the fifth day days before election, when, at the expiration of the fifth day before any election, nominations shall be closed and the Recorder shall immediately prepare an official ballot for the City under the general election laws of the State, as the County Clerk is directed to do for the county and state officers, which ballot shall be printed on clear white paper and in quantity not less than two for each elector of said City, duplicates of which, to the

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er shall be printed on colored paper for public distribution in said City.

sec. 19. The Recorder shall give ten days' notice, by publication in some newspaper published in the City of St. Helens, of each general and special election, the officers to be elected thereat and the place and places signated for holding the same, and shall post notices of the same in at least three conspicuous places in the City.

The Council shall by ordinance prescribe the manner of regis-

tration of voters All elections shall be held in accordance with the general election laws of this State so far as the same may be applicable, except as hereinabove otherwise provided. The Council shall give notice of each election as may be prescribed by ordinance, shall appoint such judges and clerks of election and fix their compensation and establish wards and polling places and may change the same

CHAPTER IV.

Vacancies.

An office shall be deemed vacant upon the death, removal from the City or resignation of the incumbent, or upon such incumbents ceasing to possess the qualifications of an elector. The office of Mayor shall be deemed to be vacant whenever the incumbent thereof shall be absent from be deemed to be vacant whenever the incumment thereof shall be absent from the City for a period of sixty days. Provided, that the Common Council may grant to the Mayor a leave of absence not to exceed ninety days. Sec. 23. The Mayor, with the approval of a majority of the Council,

shall have the power to remove or suspend from office any appointive

The Council shall fill all vacancies that may occur; but if Sec. 24. such office be elective, such appointee shall hold office only until the next regular election, at which time a person shall be elected to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. In case a member of the Council is absent from the City for two consecutive regular meetings, unless by permission of the Council, his office may be declared vacant and be filled as in the case of other vacancies.

An officer appointed to fill a vacancy must qualify within five days after his appointment, or he shall be deemed to decline the office, and the same shall be deemed vacant and be filled by the Council and so on until the offices are all filled.

CHAPTER V.

The Duties of Presiding Officers.

Sec. 26. The Mayor shall be the executive officer of the corporation and must exercise a careful supervision of its general affairs and over its subordinate officers. He shall have power to call meetings of the Common Council, and shall preside over and at their meetings, but shall have no vote except in case of a tle, when he shall cast a deciding vote on all quesvote except in case of a tle, when he shall cast a deciding vote on all questions. He shall at least once in each year state to the Council the condition, financial and otherwise, and recommend such measures for the peace, health, improvement and prosperity of the City as he may deem expedient. He shall at the first regular meeting of the Council after each general election appoint three members of the Council upon each of the following committees to with a ludiciary 2. Finance 2. Streets of the Council upon each of the following committees to with a ludiciary 2. Finance 2. ing committees, to-wit: 1, Judiciary; 2, Pinance; 3, Streets; 4, Fire and Water; 5, Health; 6, Printing and Police; who shall be and remain standing committees until their successors are duly appointed, and shall have general power and supervision over the different subjects pertaining to its department and such further power as may be prescribed by ordinance or assigned it from time to time by the Council.

Sec. 27. No ordinance passed by the Council shall go into ere in force until approved by the Mayor except us provided in the three ing sections:

Sec. 28. Upon the passage of any ordinance the enrolled copy the attested by the Recorder, shall be submitted to the Mayor, by the Recorder and if the Mayor approves the same, he shall write thereon, "Approve with the date of such approval and sign the same officially, and there unless otherwise provided therein, such ordinance shall become a happrovided in this Charter.

Sec. 29. If the Mayor does not approve of an ordinance so submit the control of the state of the receipt thereof return the control of the receipt thereof return the control of the state of the receipt thereof return the control of the receipt the receipt

he must within ten days of the receipt thereof return the same to the corder with his reasons for not approving it, and if in ten days the kind on the same to the does not return it, such ordinance shall become a law as if he is

proved it.

Sec. 30. At the first meeting of the Council after the return by Mayor of the ordinance not approved, the Recorder shall present the to the Council with the objections of the Mayor, all of which must be to the Council and such ordinance shall then be put upon its passage at and if three-fourths of all members constituting the Council as they yided by law shall vote in favor of such ordinance, it shall therespective of the Mayor but not otherwise.

Sec. 31. The Mayor shall take and approve all official undertain which this Act and the ordinances of the City may require any office give as security for the faithful performance of his duty, or any union which may be required of any contractor for the faithful performance of this contract, and when he approves such undertakings, he must have

of this contract, and when he approves such undertakings, he must

Sec. 32. He shall perform such other duties and exercise such an authority as shall be subscribed by this Act, any City ordinance, any of the United States, or of this State.

CHAPTER VI

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Of Other City Officers.

Sec. 33. The Recorder shall be the judicial officer of the City ashall have jurisdiction of all offenses against the City or violation of all offenses against the City or violation of a control of the court in said City at such place as and he may impose fines or commit to the City Jail any person or sen found guilty of any offense or violation within his jurisdiction. He shave authority to issue process for the arrest of any person or sen accused of any offense against the City, violation of any ordinance, ast commit such accused to imprisonment or admit them to bail pending by He shall have the authority to issue subpoenas to compel witnesses is pear and testify on the trial of any cause before him and enforce obelist thereto; and to issue any and all processes necessary to carry into effect judgment or sentence of his court. All civil and criminal proceedings is Recorder's Court shall be governed and regulated by the general by the State governing Justices of the Peace and Justices' Courts, and is proceedings in the Recorder's Court for the violation of a City ordinate trial shall be without a jury. the trial shall be without a jury.

Sec. 34. The Recorder shall have the jurisdiction and authority

Justice of the Peace within the limits of the City of St. Helens, in a civil and criminal matters; and when exercising such jurisdiction and thority, shall be subject to all of the general laws of the State present the duties of a Justice of the Peace and the mode of performing the His duties and compensation as Clerk of the Common Council shall is

prescribed by ordinance.

ordinance.

The Treasurer shall receive and safety keep all funds

City and shall pay out the same only on a warrant of Sec. 35. The treasurer shall receive and salely keep all funds moneys of the City, and shall pay out the same only on a warrant in by the Mayor and attested by the Recorder; and no claim against he shall be paid until audited and allowed by the Common Council.

Sec. 36. The Treasurer shall keep an account with the general h and a separate account with each special fund that may be raised for specific object; and when a warrant is drawn on any particular fund, as

specific object; and wash a warrant is drawn on any particular fund, is only be paid out of such fund.

Sec. 37. The Treasurer and Recorder shall make a report of he ceipts and expenditures of the City for the quarter ending with the land of March. June, September and December in each year and file the with the Recorder within five days from the expiration of each of said or ters, respectively, which reports shall be published by the Recorder as be prescribed by ordinance

CHAPTER VII.

Of the Common Council, Its Powers and Duties.

Sec. 38. At the first regular meeting of the Council in April of a year, or so soon thereafter as practicable, the Council shall choose by a one of its members to preside over the Council and perform the duties of Mayor in the absence of the Mayor from the City, or if he be from cause unable to act as such, said President of the Council shall have exercise the powers and perform all the duties of the Mayor, and the means of the Mayor of the Mayor, and the means of the Mayor of the Mayor, and the means of the Mayor of the Mayor, and the means of the Mayor of the Mayor of the Mayor of the Mayor, and the means of the Mayor of the Mayo

ber so presiding shall not lose his vote as a member of the Council.

Sec. 39. No member of the Common Council shall, during the performance of the council shall, during the performance of which he is elected or serving as such, be interested in any contrast expenses of which are to be paid by the City or in any contrast wherein City is interested. A majority of all the members of the Council elected

constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business, but a less has may meet and adjourn from time to time and compel the attendance absent members.

Sec. 41. The Common Council shall have authority to adopt and

tablish rules and by-laws governing their own proceedings, and the coll of any and all elective and appointive officers, and may punish any selective and appointive officers and may punish any member for disorder. behavior in its presence.

Sec. 42. All proceedings of the Common Council shall be public.

Sec. 43. The style of enacting clause of all ordinances shall be 7

City of St. Helens does ordain as follows." All contracts made or is

made wherein the City is an interested party, all franchises granted appropriations made in excess of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars and other important acts shall be by ordinance and the right of refered

shall remain inviolate with reference thereto, as provided by law.
Sec. 44. Each and every ordinance shall be consecutively number shall clearly state its object in its title and shall be introduced at any relar or specially called meeting of the Council. Every ordinance shall read three times and may be read the second time by title only, but as dinance shall be placed upon its final passage at the meeting at which is introduced, unless the second time by the second time by the second time of the second time by the second time of the seco introduced, unless in case of an emergency; such emergency to be dead by vote of the entire Council. Every ordinance shall receive a majority of all the members constituting the City Council; such vote to be take yeas and hays. After approval by the Mayor every ordinance shall enrolled by the Recorder in the Book of Ordinances and its passage fied to therein in full.

Sec. 45. Referendum petitions against any ordinance, franchis, resolution passed by the City Council shall be signed by not less that per cent of the voters of said City and said signatures shall be verified. the manner herein provided; the petition shall be filed with the Receive within ten days after the passage of such ordinance, resolutions of a chise. No City ordinance, resolution or franchise shall take effect and come operative until 30 days after its passage by the Council and appropriate the major, unless the same shall be passed over his veto, and is case, it shall not take effect and become operative until 30 days after the case, it shall not take effect and become operative until 30 days after the case. case, it shall not take effect and become operative until 30 days after final passage, except measures necessary for the immediate preservable the peace, health, or safety of the City, and no such emergency a shall become immediately operative unless it shall state in a separation, the reason why it is necessary that it should become immooperative, and shall be approved by the affirmative vote of three-fo all the members of the City Council, taken by ayes and noes, and also proved by the Mayor. proved by the Mayor.

Sec. 46. If an ordinance, charter or amendment to the charter City shall be proposed by initiative petition, said petition shall be filed the Recorder and he shall transmit it to the next session of the Cor Council. The Council shall either ordain or reject the same, as proposition ten days thereafter, and if the Council shall reject said proposition that the Read ordinance or amendment, or shall take no action thereon, then the Recor shall submit the same to the voters of the City at the next ensuing cled held therein not less than twenty days after the same was first pros the Common Council. The Council may ordain said ordinance or the Common Council. ment and refer it to the people, or if it may ordain such ordinance referring it to the people, and in that case it shall be subject to refer petition in like manner as other ordinances; if the Council shall reject petition in like manner as other ordinances; if the Council shall report ordinance or amendment or take no action thereon, it may ordain a combing ordinance or amendment, which shall be submitted by the Recorder the people of said City at the same election at which said initiality posal is submitted. Such competing ordinance or amendment, if any, as the prepared by the Council and ordained within twenty days allowed for action on the measure proposed by initiative petition. The Mayor shall have the power to veto either of such measures. If the conficting ordinances or charter amendments shall be submitted to the people at the significant configuration, and two or more of such conficiency measures shall be appeared. ances or charter amendments shall be submitted to the people as election, and two or more of such conflicting measures shall be approximately by the people, then the measure which shall have received the grain number of affirmative votes shall be paramount in all particulars as which there is conflict even though such measure may not have received the greatest majority. Amendments to the City charter may be proposed by the City Council with or without any issue and submitted to the people by the City Council with or without any issue. and submitted to the people by the City Council with or without any subtive petition, but the same shall be filed with the Recorder for submission, and no amendment of the City charter shall be effective until it approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon by the people of the City charter shall be effective until it approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon by the people of the City charter shall be effective until it approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon by the people of the City charter shall be effective until it approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon by the people of the City charter shall be effective until it approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon by the people of the City charter shall be effective until it. municipal measures.

Sec. 47. Every person who is a qualified elector of the City Helens may sign a petition for the referendum or for initiative for a measure upon which he is legally entitled to vote. Any person signist name other than once to any petition, or knowingly signing his name than once for the same measure at one election, or who is not a legal who of the City, or any officer or person wilfully violating any provision of Charter, shall upon conviction thereof, he punished by a fine not exceeding for the shall upon the conviction of the City Jail not exceeding for days, or both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the City before which such conviction shall be had.

Sec. 48. In the absence of the Personner or If he be from any city is the property of the Personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or If he be from any city is the personner or in the city of the personner or in Every person who is a qualified elector of the City of

Sec. 48. In the absence of the Recorder or If he be from any unable to act, the Mayor may designate any person having the qualitions of Recorder to act in his stead. Such appointee shall immediate

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